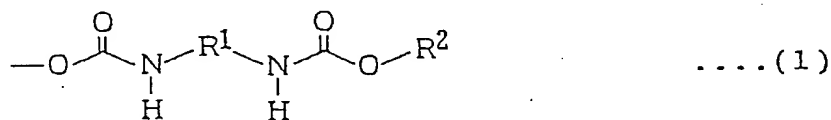


Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A cosmetic product comprising 99.999-50 wt.% of cosmetic components, a solvent containing at least one of a volatile oil and a volatile organic solvent and 0.001-50 wt.% of a pullulan-cholesterol derivative formed by substituting the hydroxyl groups of mono-saccharide units constituting the pullulan of the pullulan-cholesterol derivative, in a proportion of 0.01 to 20 groups per 100 monosaccharide units, by a radical represented by the formula (1)



in which R¹ denotes a hydrocarbon group containing 1-10 carbon atoms and R² represents a cholesteryl group.

2. and 3. (Canceled)

4. (Previously Presented) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the proportion of cholesteryl groups introduced by substitution for the hydroxyl groups of the monosaccharide units of the pullulan is 0.05-15 groups per 100 monosaccharide units.

5. (Previously Presented) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the proportion of cholesteryl groups introduced by substitution for the hydroxyl groups of the monosaccharide units of the pullulan is 0.1-10 groups per 100 monosaccharide units.

6. and 7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cosmetic product is a skin care cosmetic, make-up cosmetic or hair conditioning cosmetic.

9. (Previously Presented) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cosmetic product is an emulsion, a beauty wash, a rouge, a manicure product or a hair lotion.

10. (New) The cosmetic product as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said solvent comprises at least one member selected from the group consisting of a light isoparaffin, decamethylpentacyclosiloxane, octamethyltetracyclosiloxane, hexamethyltricyclosiloxane, dimethylpolysiloxane, methylphenylpolysiloxane, an organic perfluoro compound.

11. (New) The cosmetic product as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said cosmetic components additionally comprise at least one member selected from the group consisting of moisture-preserving agents, UV absorbers, beauty whitening agents, inorganic pigments, organic pigments, antioxidants, antiseptics, powders, pearly-lustering agents, dyestuffs, coloring agents, surfactants, thickening agents, stabilizers, dispersants, antiseptics, sterilizers, plasticizers, medicaments, fragrances, resins and pH regulators.

12. (New) The cosmetic product as claimed in Claim 10, wherein the solvent comprises a volatile hydrocarbon oil having a boiling point at normal pressure in the range from 60 to 160°C.